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**Filed Electronically**

Mr. Charles L.A. Terreni, Chief Clerk  
South Carolina Public Service Commission  
Synergy Business Park  
Saluda Building  
101 Executive Center Dr.  
Columbia, SC 29210

**RE: Public Communications Services, Inc.  
Revision to South Carolina Tariff No. 1 (Inmate)**

Dear Mr. Terreni,

Attached is a revision to South Carolina Tariff No. 1 (Inmate) filed on behalf of Public Communications Services, Inc. This filing introduces a State Regulatory Recovery Fee, Federal Regulatory Recovery Fee, Damaged Equipment Cost Recovery Charge and Voice Verification Service, adds text regarding the application of Miscellaneous Charges and reduces the Pay Telephone Surcharge rate. The Company respectfully requests an effective date of July 21, 2009. The following tariff pages are included:

1 <sup>st</sup> Revised Page 1	Updates Check Sheet
1 <sup>st</sup> Revised Page 23	Adds Text
1 <sup>st</sup> Revised Page 24	Adds State and Regulatory Recovery Fees
Original Page 24.1	Adds Damaged Equipment Cost Recovery & Voice Verification Service
1 <sup>st</sup> Revised Page 28	Adds Current Fee Rates

Any questions you may have pertaining to this filing may be directed to me at 407-740-3005 or via email at [mbyrnes@tminc.com](mailto:mbyrnes@tminc.com). Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Monique Byrnes, Consultant to  
Public Communications Services, Inc.

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Attachment

cc: Mr. C. Dukes Scott, Executive Director (E-file only)  
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tms: SCn0901

**CHECK SHEET**

Pages of this tariff, as indicated below, are effective as of the date shown at the bottom of the respective pages. Original and revised pages, as named below, comprise all changes from the original tariff and are currently in effect as of the date on the bottom of this page.

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**SECTION 3 - DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE, (CONT'D.)**

**3.7 Miscellaneous Charges**

The following charges may be billed based on mutual agreement between the Company and the Confinement Institution. (N)  
(N)

**3.7.1 Public Telephone Surcharge**

In order to recover the Company's expenses to comply with the FCC's pay telephone compensation plan effective on October 7, 1997 (FCC 97-371), an undiscountable per call charge is applicable to all interstate, intrastate and international calls that originate from any domestic pay telephone used to access the Company's services. This surcharge, which is in addition to standard tariffed usage charges and any applicable service charges and surcharges associated with the Company's service, applies for the use of the instrument used to access the Company's service and is unrelated to the service accessed from the pay telephone.

Pay telephones include coin-operated and coinless phones owned by local telephone companies, independent companies and other interexchange carriers. The Public Pay Telephone Surcharge applies to the initial completed call and any re-originated call (i.e., using the "#" symbol).

Whenever possible, the Public Pay Telephone Surcharge will appear on the same invoice containing the usage charges for the surcharged call. In cases where proper pay telephone coding digits are not transmitted to the Company prior to completion of a call, the Public Pay Telephone Surcharge may be billed on a subsequent invoice after the Company has obtained information from a carrier that the originating station is an eligible pay telephone.

The Public Pay Telephone Surcharge does not apply to calls placed from pay telephones at which the Customer pays for service by inserting coins during the progress of the call.

Maximum Rate per Call: \$1.00

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**SECTION 3 - DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE, (CONT'D.)****3.7 Miscellaneous Charges, (Cont'd.)****3.7.2 Billing Cost Recovery Fee**

In order to partially offset increased expenses associated with billing calls via local exchange carriers, a cost recovery fee may apply each billing period in which local or long distance collect calls are billed through a Customer's local exchange carrier. Where applicable, this fee will be charged only once per billing period regardless of the number of calls. The fee will not apply in any billing period in which no collect calls are billed via the Customer's local exchange carrier. This fee does not apply to prepaid services paid for by commercial credit card, check, money order or wire, or for services billed directly to the Customer by the Company.

Maximum Billing Cost Recovery Fee,  
per month where applicable: \$5.00

**3.7.3 State Regulatory Recovery Fee****(N)**

The State Regulatory Recovery Fee assists the Company to recover costs associated with the provision of in state services including state regulatory fees, proceedings and compliance items. The State Regulatory Recovery Fee applies each month in which an end-user accepts in-state calls.

Maximum State Regulatory Recovery Fee,  
per month where applicable: Up to \$4.00

**3.7.4 Federal Regulatory Recovery Fee**

The Federal Regulatory Recovery Fee helps recover costs associated with the provision of state-to-state and international long distance services including the administration of the federal universal service fund (USF), other federal regulatory fees, proceedings and compliance items. The Federal Regulatory Recovery Fee applies each month in which an end-user accepts state-to-state and/or international calls.

Maximum Federal Regulatory Recovery Fee,  
per month where applicable: Up to \$4.00

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**SECTION 3 - DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE, (CONT'D.)****3.7 Miscellaneous Charges, (Cont'd.)****3.7.5 Damaged Equipment Cost Recovery Charge**

(N)

At the request of the correctional facility, this charge will apply to automated collect calls which are placed by inmates of the facility when such calls are provided through the Company's own processing equipment at that facility. The purpose of the charge is to recover the costs of repair to the phone equipment as a result of damage caused by inmates housed at the correctional facility. This charge will apply in addition to all applicable usage charges and operator assistance service charges specified herein.

Maximum Damaged Equipment Cost Recovery Charge,  
per call, up to: \$1.75

**3.7.6 Voice Verification Service**

Voice Verification Service is an optional service that provides validation of the inmate's identity through voice verification technology for purposes of improved security and reduced potential of fraud and Customer harassment by inmates. This charge applies to automated calls placed by inmates of correctional facilities when such calls are provided through the Company's own processing equipment. Where Voice Verification Service is requested by correctional facilities, this charge applies in addition to all applicable institutional rates and charges as specified in this tariff.

Maximum Voice Verification Service Charge,  
per call\*, up to: \$0.50

\* where requested by correctional facility

(N)

**SECTION 4 – CURRENT RATES, (CONT'D.)****4.4 Miscellaneous Charges****4.4.1 Public Telephone Surcharge**

Rate per Call: \$0.50 (R)

**4.4.2 Billing Cost Recovery Fee**

Per Month where applicable: \$2.49

**4.4.3 State Regulatory Recovery Fee**

State Regulatory Recovery Fee, per month where applicable: Up to \$1.99

**4.4.4 Federal Regulatory Recovery Fee**

Federal Regulatory Recovery Fee, per month where applicable: Up to \$1.99

**4.4.5 Damaged Equipment Cost Recovery Charge**

Damaged Equipment Cost Recovery Charge, per call, up to: \$0.85

**4.4.6 Voice Verification Service**

Voice Verification Service Charge, per call\*, up to: \$0.25

\* where requested by correctional facility

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